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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS

SUBJECT: LAUN KIDNAP

REF: AMB. HILL/ORTIZ TELECON 0125 APRIL 13

1. FOLLOWING REFERENCE TELECON EMBASSY HAD FURTHER TELECCON WITH ADMINISTRATIVE COUNSELOR GINGLES IN CORDOBA WITH SITUATION DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: TWO BEST SURGEONS ARE NOW OPERATING ON LAUN. ONLY BULLET WOUND IS IN STOMACH WHERE BULLET ENTERED AT NAVEL AND PASSED THROUGH BODY. PURPOSE OF OPERATION IS TO CLEANSE THE WOUND. HEAD AND SHOULDER INJURIES RESULTED FROM WHIPLASHING, NOT BULLETS. HE HAS BLACK EYE AND FACE TOOK SEVERE POUNDING.

2. LAUN WAS DUMPED BY ERP BETWEEN 2130 AND 2200 HOURS AFTER ERP APPARENTLY PANICKED. GINGLES HAS TALKED DIRECTLY WITH LAUN. HE HAS HAD PSYCHEDELIC REACTION FROM DRUGS ADMINISTERED BY ABUDCTORS. HE CANNOT BE MOVED AT THIS TIME, BUT GINGLES IS REASONABLY  
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ENCOURAGED THAT HE WILL PULL THROUGH. HE FURTHER REPORTED THAT

COOPERATION FROM BOTH CLINIC DOCTORS AND POLICE HAS BEEN EXCELLENT,  
ALTHOUGH POLICE HAVE BEEN SOMEWHAT FREE WITH DETAILS TO THE PRESS.  
POLICE HAVE ESTABLISHED CORDON COMPLETELY AROUND HOSPITAL FOR  
SECURITY REASONS.

3. GINGLES IS ATTEMPTING TO CALL DOCTOR WATSON AT THE DEPARTMENT  
DIRECTLY.  
HILL

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